

MINUTES
EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING
Tuesday, April 13, 2021

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Weld called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present in-person: Jill Christopherson and Terry Weld. The following Council Members were present remotely: Emily Anderson, Kate Beaton, Emily Berge, Catherine Emmanuelle, Jeremy Gragert, David Klinkhammer, John Lor and Andrew Werthmann.

UPDATE

Update by Interim City Manager Solberg regarding City operations and local response during the COVID-19 pandemic.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, April 13, 2021:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the March 23, 2021 Council Legislative Session.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting a temporary expansion of the Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage licensed premise of Girolamo's Court 'N House, LLC, d/b/a Court 'N House, 113 W. Grand Avenue, to include outdoor seating area from April to November 2021.
- Granting a Change of Agent for the Class A Fermented Malt Beverage and Class A Intoxicating Liquor (Cider only) license of Cenergy, LLC., d/b/a Mega Holiday #3709, 5511 State Road 93, from Kayla J. Lorenzen to Anna M. Roder be approved.
- Granting a Change of Agent for the Class A Fermented Malt Beverage and Class A Intoxicating Liquor (Cider only) license of Cenergy, LLC., d/b/a Mega Holiday #3710, 4304 Jeffers Road, from Joshua D. Brooks to Samuel G. Jay be approved.
- Granting a Change of Agent for the Class A Fermented Malt Beverage and Class A Intoxicating Liquor (Cider only) license of Cenergy, LLC., d/b/a Mega Holiday #3715, 2806 Golf Rd., from John Disalle to Christina Meckley be approved.
- Granting a Combination Class A Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage license of Hy-Vee, Inc., d/b/a Hy-Vee Fast & Fresh, 2308 E. Clairemont Avenue, Robert Wisco, agent.
- Authorizing the City of Eau Claire Engineering Department to apply for the Urban Nonpoint Source & Storm Water Planning Grant monies for the purpose of implementing measures to control urban storm water runoff pollution sources.
- Introducing an amendment to the City of Eau Claire Schedule of Fees and Licenses regarding Jeffers Road Brush Site, effective April 28, 2021.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Beaton "to adopt the consent resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PROCLAMATIONS

President Weld read a proclamation proclaiming Thursday, April 22, 2021 as Earth Day 2021 and encouraging everyone to use Earth Day to learn the many ways we can protect our environment and improve the quality of life for all.

President Weld read a proclamation recognizing April 23, 2021 for our Eau Claire Virtual Jazz Festival in the City of Eau Claire, and urging residents and visitors of Eau Claire to cultivate an appreciation of jazz music and to look forward to the time when we can gather together again to celebrate Jazz Week.

President Weld read a proclamation proclaiming April as Hmong Heritage Month in the city of Eau Claire, and urging all citizens to reflect on the sacrifices the Hmong people have made for our county and join us in honoring and celebrating this rich culture and the legacies of Hmong Americans to our community, our state, and our nation.

President Weld read a proclamation proclaiming April 11 to 17, 2021 as National 9-1-1 Telecommunicator Week in the city of Eau Claire, and urging government officials, parents and teachers, school administrators, caregivers, business leaders, non-profit organizations, and citizens to observe this week with training, events, and activities to recognize and educate the public on 9-1-1 and its essential services.

LICENSE

The City Council considered a resolution granting a Reserve Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage license to Hy-Vee, Inc., d/b/a Hy-Vee Food Store, 2424 E. Clairemont Avenue, Robert Wisco, agent. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Berge and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Anderson, Berge, Gragert, Klinkhammer, Lor and Werthmann. Nay: Council Members: Beaton, Christopherson, Emmanuelle and Weld.

AGREEMENTS

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing agreements with Union Pacific Railroad and L&W Supply for use of a city-owned rail spur at Hogarth Street. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

SIDEWALK

The City Council considered a resolution ordering the repair and installation of city-wide sidewalk and curb and gutter according to Section 66.0907, Wisconsin Statutes, at three locations beginning with 1430 Lee Street, Parcel No. 13-1388. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Klinkhammer and seconded by Council Member Lor “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

WALNUT GROVE II

The City Council considered a resolution approving the final plat for Walnut Grove II located north of Caden Court and west of County Road F (File P-4-20). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a development agreement with CMJM Properties, LLC for street and utility improvements within the Plat of Walnut Grove II. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the resolution.”

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Klinkhammer and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to amend the development agreement” by deferring sidewalk on the bulb of the Burr Oak Lane cul-de-sac, as construction of sidewalk is not feasible or practical due to topographical or other physical constraints and would not serve the public interest, safety or convenience. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

A vote was then taken “to adopt the resolution” with amended development agreement. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing 2020 Year-end Carryovers for the Adopted Operating Budget, 2021 First Quarter Budget Adjustments and 2021 Re-Appropriations and Appropriations for the Capital Improvements Budget. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

DONATION

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the Community Services Department to accept a \$600 donation from the Chippewa Valley Transit Alliance for free transit rides on Earth Day and for marketing the event. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CLIMATE COALITION

The City Council considered a resolution joining the Wisconsin Local Government Climate Coalition. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

WORK PLAN

The City Council considered a resolution amending the Sustainability Advisory Committee's 2021 Work Plan to include curbside plastic film recycling. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Beaton "to adopt the resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

COMMUNITY CAMPAIGN

The City Council considered a resolution supporting the City's Renewable Energy Action Plan Community Campaign. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Berge and seconded by Council Member Christopherson "to adopt the resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

APPOINTMENTS

The City Council considered a resolution approving appointments and reappointments to various Boards, Commissions and Committees. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Gragert "to adopt the resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER

The City Council considered a resolution extending the appointment of the Interim City Manager, in accordance with Wisconsin Statute 64.09(10). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Klinkhammer and seconded by Council Member Lor "to adopt the resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PARKLET & PARKLET CAFÉ

The Council considered an ordinance amending Chapter 13.12 entitled "Street Use" by creating section 13.12.063 entitled "Parklet and Parklet Café" of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Anderson "to adopt the ordinance." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

SCOOTER SHARE

The Council considered an ordinance creating Chapter 5.65 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire entitled "Scooter Share." Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Berge "to adopt the ordinance." Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Werthmann "to amend the ordinance" by adding the following to section 5.65.060-B: "On city trails, speed shall additionally be governed to 10 miles per hour." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.
A vote was then taken "to adopt the ordinance" as amended. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property located at 2300 1st Street from P-Public to R-3P and to adopt the general development plan with site plan for a multi-family development (Z-1682-21). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property located on the 900 block of Menomonie Street from RM to R-4P and to adopt the general development plan and amend the existing zoning of R-4P for multi-family apartments (Z-1686-21). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property located on Gateway Drive from C-2P to R-3P and to adopt the general development plan for multi-family apartments (Z-1687-21). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered an ordinance amending the general development plan for multi-family apartments up to 48 units for R-3P zoning for property located at the southwest corner of the North Crossing and Mill Run Road (Z-1679-20 Amd). (Z-1679-20 Amd). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance rezoning property located on the West side of Graff Road, south of Old Town Hall Road from TR-1A to R-1P & R-2P and to adopt the general development plan with a reduced front yard setback from 30 feet to 25 feet for single-family and twin home development (Z-1688-21).

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance rezoning property located on the northeast corner of W. Folsom Street and N. Town Hall Road from R-1 to R-1P and R-2P and to adopt the general development plan for a reduced front yard setback from 30 feet to 25 feet for single-family and twin home development (Z-1689-21).

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance rezoning property located at 204 Maxon Street from RMP to CBDP and to adopt the general development plan for multi-family development (Z-1690-21).

ANNEXATION

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance annexing land to the City of Eau Claire located at Drier Court, Town of Washington, Eau Claire County, as shown on Planning Drawing No. 21-3A (Pronschinske Annexation, Petition #14375).

ALDERMANIC DISTRICTS

The City Council had first reading on a charter ordinance relating to the City Council and the reapportionment of the Aldermanic Districts of the City of Eau Claire.

WATER & WASTEWATER SERVICE RATES

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending Title 14 entitled “Waterworks” and Title 15 entitled “Sewers and Sewerage” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire and amending the Schedule of Fees and Licenses to include water service and wastewater service rates and charges.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: April 13, 2021

Time: 7:19 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Weld
Council President

/s/ Carrie L. Riepl
City Clerk